

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed April 7, 2006 has been received and reviewed. By the present Response and Amendment, Claims 69, 76, 83, 84, 89 and 90 are cancelled without prejudice to refiling by way of one or more divisional or continuing application(s); Claims 70, 72-75, 77-82, and 85-88 are amended; and new Claims 91-96 are added. No new matter is introduced.

Claims 70, 71, 73, 80 and 85 are indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

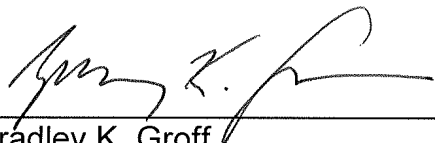
Claims 69, 72, 74-79, 81-84, and 86-90 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e). Applicant respectfully traverses, as the cited reference, U.S. Patent No. 6,228,100 to Schraga does not disclose or suggest Applicant's claimed invention.

Nevertheless, in an effort to expedite allowance and issue of the subject matter indicated to be allowable, Claims 70, 73, 80 and 85 are rewritten in independent form, to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. All remaining claims depend from one of these independent claims, which have been indicated to be allowable, and are therefore likewise allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments submitted herein and the above comments, it is believed that all grounds of rejection are overcome and that the application has now been placed in full condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant earnestly solicits early and favorable action. Should there be any further questions or reservations, the Examiner is urged to telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney at (770) 984-2300.

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